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REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending.

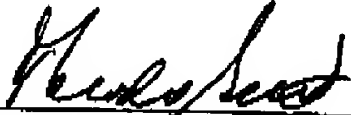
The undersigned regrettably acknowledges the errors necessitating the office action of August 5, 2004, and this supplemental amendment.

The undersigned states that such errors were completely unintentional.

The corrected amendment is presented in bold-face type to facilitate its identification. In brief, claim 1 was amended by adding the variable "p" and deleting "n₁." Further, the definition of "p" has been amended as indicated.

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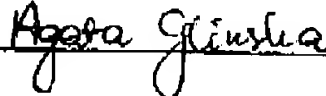

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The amendment to the claims filed on 5-06-04 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c) because claim 1 does not contain the appropriate markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to the immediate prior version of the claims. For example, claim 1 discloses 3 different substitutions for the R moiety, however, the structures of R set forth in the claim are enclosed in brackets [] defined by a p moiety. Applicants have deleted the definition of p as set forth in the amendment to the claims filed 2-19-04, yet there are no markings to indicate that such an amendment has occurred in the current amendment of 5-06-04. Amendments to the claims filed on or after July 30, 2003 must comply with 37 CFR 1.121(c) which states:

(c) *Claims.* Amendments to a claim must be made by rewriting the entire claim with all changes (e.g., additions and deletions) as indicated in this subsection, except when the claim is being canceled. Each amendment document that includes a change to an existing claim, cancellation of an existing claim or addition of a new claim, must include a complete listing of all claims ever presented, including the text of all pending and withdrawn claims, in the application. The claim listing, including the text of the claims, in the amendment document will serve to replace all prior versions of the claims, in the application. In the claim listing, the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following identifiers in a parenthetical expression: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Withdrawn), (Previously presented), (New), and (Not entered).

(1) *Claim listing.* All of the claims presented in a claim listing shall be presented in ascending numerical order. Consecutive claims having the same status of "canceled" or "not entered" may be aggregated into one statement (e.g., Claims 1-5 (canceled)). The claim listing shall commence on a separate sheet of the amendment document and the sheet(s) that contain the text of any part of the claims shall not contain any other part of the amendment.

(2) *When claim text with markings is required.* All claims being currently amended in an amendment paper shall be presented in the claim listing, indicate a status of "currently amended," and be submitted with markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to the immediate prior version of the claims. The text of any added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. The text of any deleted matter must be shown by strike-through except that double brackets placed before and after the deleted characters may be used to show deletion of five or fewer consecutive characters. The text of any deleted subject